

DRAFT OF NEW LAWS
IS READ TO MEMBERS

Changes in Governing Rules Proposed by Association of Oldest Inhabitants.

April Meeting in Old Union Engine House Concluded With a Musical Program.

Proposed amendments to the constitution and by-laws of the Association of Oldest Inhabitants of the District of Columbia, drafted by a special committee, have been completed and were read at the April meeting of the association in old Union engine house, 19th and H streets northwest, last night. They will be voted upon at the May meeting.

Charles W. Evans, as chairman of the committee, presented the suggested changes in the governing laws of the association. The other members of the committee are Henry L. Bryan, Judge Charles S. Bundy, Washington Topham and Dr. W. B. Summy, with Theodore W. Noyes, president of the association, as ex-officio member.

Few Changes in Constitution.

But few important changes in the constitution are proposed, but the by-laws are considerably enlarged and amplified. The committee also presented a new form of membership certificate, which the association last night tentatively approved, but final action in this matter also was postponed until the next meeting.

In the absence of President Noyes, Judge Bundy presided. Secretary Benjamin W. Reiss announced the names of the members who have died since the March meeting, the list including Andrew H. Ragan, Fred Stohlman, G. A. Brandt, William W. Nottingham and George W. Gray.

Gustave Oppenheimer and George W. Tappan were elected to membership and applications for membership were received from the following: Daniel Milton Goodwin, Thomas P. Moore, John C. McConnell, Maj. William Bayliss, Edward P. True, James Lansburgh and S. Willard Saxton.

Resolutions of sympathy over the recent death of Andrew H. Ragan, one of the association's vice presidents, were offered by Corresponding Secretary John B. McCarthy and unanimously adopted. The resolutions read: That the vacancy in vice president should not be filled for six months.

Valuable Papers Presented.

Among those who spoke eulogistically of Mr. Ragan and his work for the association were Mr. McCarthy, Judge Bundy, Washington Topham, Henry L. Bryan, Benjamin L. Reiss and Dr. W. B. Summy. Mr. Topham said that Mrs. Warren Choate, sister of the deceased member, had presented the association with a number of valuable historical papers and souvenirs which had been in the possession of Mr. Ragan.

George W. Evans donated to the association's stock of curios a copy of the Congressional directory published in 1821 by the Seventeenth Congress. He also reported for the finance committee that the books of the treasurer of the association had been audited and found to be correct.

Several members were reported to be ill, among them James Crogon, who lives at 106 C street southeast; William G. Spotswood, who is at Walter Reed Hospital, and Baldwin D. Drane, at the John Dickinson Home.

The meeting was closed with a musical program contributed by J. Crosby McCarthy and L. S. McCarthy, sons of the corresponding secretary of the association. Mrs. L. S. McCarthy was the accompanist.

PLEAS FOR NATIONAL PARKS.

House Committee Urged to Place Them Under One Control.

The Kent bill, providing a national park service whereby all national parks would be placed under one direction and control, was urged for a favorable report before the House committee on public lands yesterday by J. Horace McFarland of Harrisburg, president of the American Civic Federation; Richard B. Watrous of this city, its secretary; Stephen T. Mather, assistant to the Secretary of the Interior, and R. B. Marshall, general superintendent of national parks.

The committee heard arguments from these and others interested in national parks, and in addition many letters and resolutions from mountain clubs, civic organizations, etc., were presented.

BURKE WOULD BE SENATOR.

Treasurer of U. S. Is Receptive Candidate in North Dakota.

Responding to the sentiment of independent voters, John Burke, treasurer of the United States, has announced himself as a receptive candidate of the nomination for senator from North Dakota if such is the desire of his fellow citizens. On the strength of this announcement a meeting of progressive democrats of the state interested him for senator.

Petitions advocating the selection of Treasurer Burke for senator have been in circulation throughout the state. These are now being laid before Mr. Burke and already the sentiments of 1,500 men have been shown to favor him. The progressive democratic party of the state is a new organization, the strength of which has not yet been shown.

LITTLE PIMPLES
ON BABY'S HEAD

Had to Put Cap On. Became Solid Crust All Over. Took Hair All Out. Awaits to Behold.

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BORDEAUX SHOWS SADNESS,
BUT IS NOT DOWNHEARTED
City Makes It Plain What It Means to a Country to Be at War—Gayety Long Since Discarded.

BY HERBERT COREY.

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BORDEAUX, March 18.—It is in Bordeaux that the newcomer to France first comprehends what it means to a country to be at war. Here is a city of 300,000 people, in which there is no laughter, and no loquaciousness, and no happy, idle noises. A city in which the men who stroll past for the most part wear bandages or hobble on crutches or bear themselves jauntily under the new shrapnel helmet, which is the sign that its wearer has been ordered to the front. A city in which women are the motormen and sweep the streets, and in which the men are old or unfit. It is a busy city—busy with the business of war—but it is an unaccountably quiet city. Of a Sunday afternoon the Bordeaux march past the chairs of the sidewalk cafes in a tragic silence. They seem almost unreal. It is as though they were the ghosts of happiness.

"What is it about Bordeaux that is so different from the other cities of our party of four asked each other.

There Is No Lovemaking.

It was not the wounded men. The streets were filled with them. But the streets of Bordeaux were not filled with the wounded men. It was not the silence. That is to be expected on Sunday afternoon, when the trucks have ceased from battering at the cobblestones. It was not the sadness. France grieves, but France grieves in privacy. Her men and women are dignified and reticent in moments of great emotion. At last we puzzled it out.

"There is no lovemaking." In happier times these Sunday streets would have been filled with laughing, chatting, flirting, utterly happy and absorbed young men and women. A French crowd is usually a cheerful, loquacious, lively, rather noisy gathering. The men and women are frankly interested in each other. In Bordeaux today the young girls seem not to go upon the streets, in which there are no young men. The men go about their business quietly. Of fourteen women who passed the Cafe de Bordeaux as I sat watching, eleven were mourning. At my side sat an elderly couple—a father and mother, perhaps—gazing straight before them with never a word to each other. Their silence eloquent of despair.

"In Bordeaux," a Frenchman once told me, "the Bordeaux begin a conversation about politics, but in five minutes they are talking about food."

Bordeaux Could Eat.

It is one of the survivals—some hold almost the one surviving stronghold—of the old epicurean tradition. Here the man who would replenish his cellar sips at wines by the hour from a shallow silver saucer, and discovers in each wine qualities that our grocer's western palates are unable to find, even when the food has been signboarded. There are at least two restaurants in which dinner is a rite to be preceded by long conversations with the maitre d'hotel and followed by a glass of wine with the glowing chef, if that artist's efforts have proved worthy. Today a good part of the patronage of those high affairs of St. Bonifacio is furnished by casual Americans newly landed from the ship, who merely seek to end an animal hunger. They are served by young women who do not pretend to a knowledge of the servitor's art. They

only carry dishes to and from the tables.

These statements are not at all exaggerated. Bordeaux before the war was the third port of France today. If the imports of war material be excepted—it is the first port of France, for Havre's business has been diverted to it. It is the shipping point of one of the world's greatest wine districts. It may be that it is handling a greater tonnage than ever before in its history. One hears of fortunes being made here on war business, just as one likewise hears the complaints of merchants who order this and that for their customers only to find their goods commandeered for the government when they reach the pier. It is further from the line of war than any other considerable city in France. If happiness is to be found in France it should be here. One finds silence instead.

Long War Is Expected.

An utterly wrong impression will be received by the reader if he assumes that Bordeaux is downhearted or discouraged. Bordeaux is sad, of course. There is not a town or hamlet of the dozen nations involved in this struggle that is not sick to its very heart of war. But Bordeaux seems to be resigned to a struggle that may last for years, but in which France will be victorious. In the end, in Paris one hears talk of the war being ended by midsummer. Here they contemplate calmly the possibility that it may last for two years or more. Some are talking of five years more. The one thing that one never hears suggested is that France may be defeated.

Perhaps it is in consequence of this conviction that victory is certain that the people of Bordeaux seem to have a somewhat milder attitude toward the enemy than one finds elsewhere. There is a strong admixture of Spanish blood in the Bordeauxs, from which the stranger is apt to argue unforgiving hatred. On the contrary, one finds a disposition to separate the individual enemy from his government. Thousands of prisoners are held near here in detention camps. A good part of last year's vintage was made by them, in default of the usual vineyard labor. An item of last Sunday's program was the passage through the city of a dozen military automobiles, filled with apparently contented Austrians.

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men. It is only their masters that we hate. These men did not want the war any more than we."

It is true that this detached point of view is impossible to those Frenchmen who live nearer to the line of war and who might conceive themselves in danger in the event of a successful break through by the Germans. But that it is possible even to the Frenchmen who live at Bordeaux is a testimonial to the coldly logical quality of the French mind. Now that the first hysteria of war has passed, he is showing himself able to dissect the situation that made this war possible. It is his hope that this war will make it impossible for any group of men sheltered behind the closed doors of chancelleries to make another war. His hope is shared by some of France's greatest thinkers. Some of Europe's autocratic centers of this plague of war may be eliminated by a democracy grown powerful through sacrifice.

Amusements Curtailed.

This same logic has convinced the Bordeauxs that the total suppression of amusements creates a morbid and unhealthy state of mind, and an effort is therefore being made to return to something like a normal mode of life. It is true that few have been able to force themselves to act upon this conviction, but they are trying. The Belgian border. There is no singing at social gatherings in private homes. On the contrary, one finds a disposition to separate the individual enemy from his government. Thousands of prisoners are held near here in detention camps. A good part of last year's vintage was made by them, in default of the usual vineyard labor. An item of last Sunday's program was the passage through the city of a dozen military automobiles, filled with apparently contented Austrians.

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EXTENDS INCOME TAX
RETURNS UNTIL MAY 1

Revenue Commissioner Osborn Announces Accommodation for Alien Owners of Bonds.

At the urgent solicitation of banking interests, the application has been suspended until May 1 of the regulation requiring the payment of the income tax on the returns from bonds and other securities owned by non-resident aliens. Commissioner W. H. Osborn of the internal revenue service has announced the postponement.

The original ruling, requiring the collection of the tax at the source, made following a decision of the Supreme Court that permitted this construction of the income tax provisions of the tariff act—was not issued until last week, and was made effective as of April 1. The bankers presented the argument, that seemed rational to the federal authorities, that they had not had time to adjust their accounts and holdings to the new proposition. They asserted that on such short notice they would be unable to comply with the regulation.

When the income tax first became effective the interest on bonds and the

dividends on stocks were not regarded as taxable, following an opinion of the Attorney General, that such a tax would be a direct tax. The Supreme Court of the United States, in a decision several weeks ago, decided that the tax was indirect and collectible at the source. As a direct tax it would have been collectible only at the residence of the person taxable—in the case of non-residents in the foreign country in which they resided.

The tax will yield, according to the income tax officials, a revenue of about \$1,000,000 a year.

Chinese Art Exhibition Next.

The cubist and futurist art exhibitions at the Washington Square Gallery, 1421 P street northwest, closed yesterday. The next exhibition is to be that of Chinese art, to start April 11. These exhibitions will be free to the public from 1 to 6 o'clock, with Messrs. Lohr and Logans giving explanatory lectures on the pictures. Following the Chinese exhibition, an exhibition of American art is to be opened about the last of the month.

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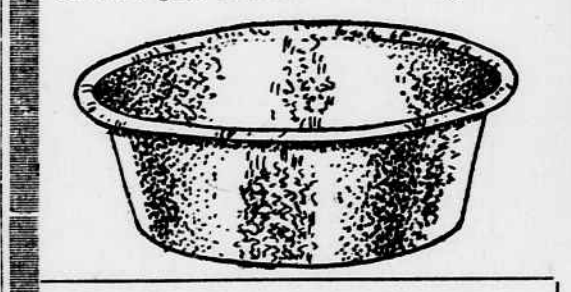
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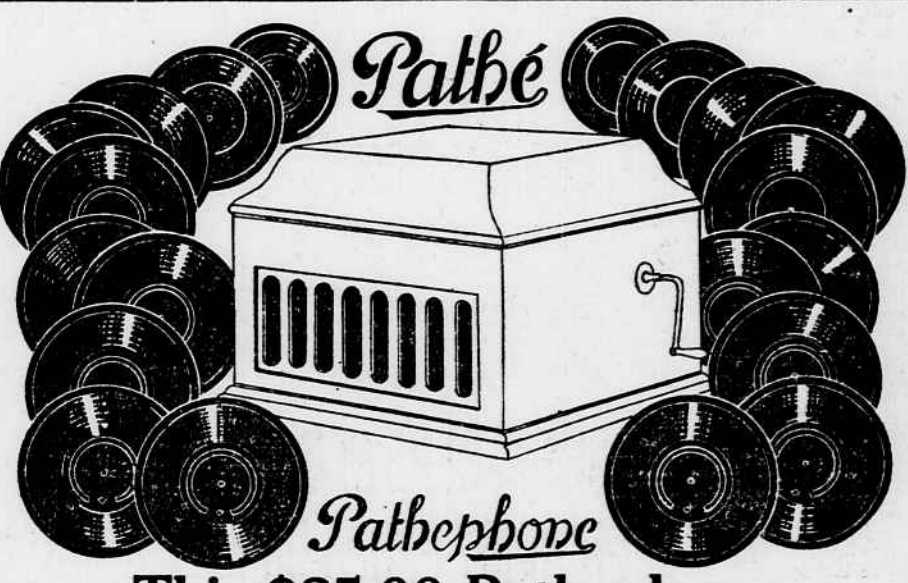
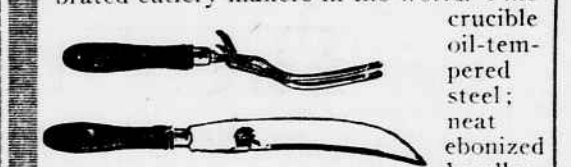
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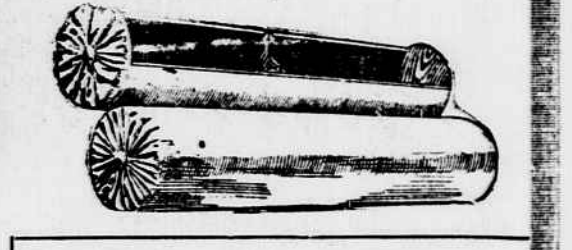
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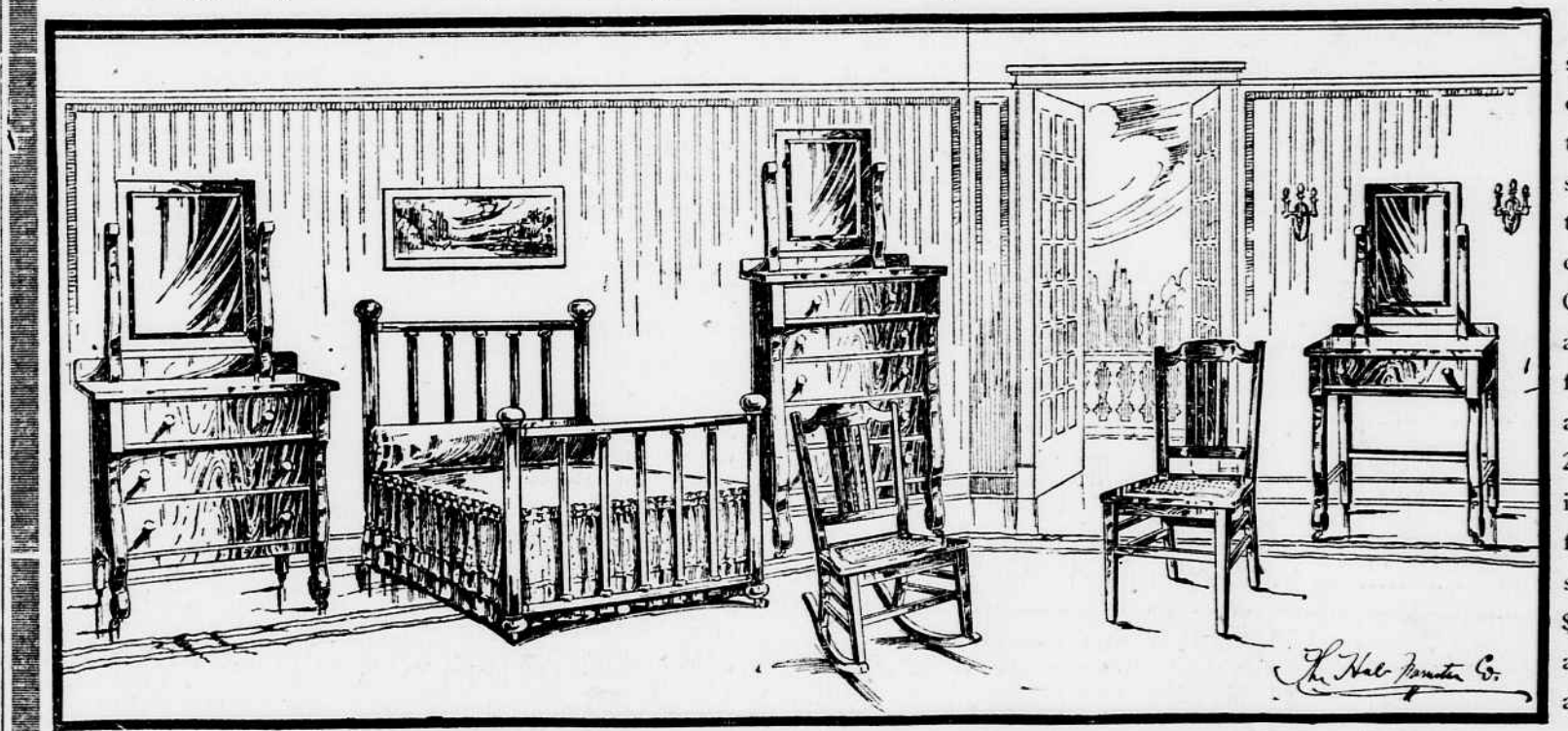


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